

Senate District A

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AGE: 62

PLACE OF BIRTH: Fairbanks, Alaska

NAME OF SPOUSE: Luann Coghill

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Shaun, Joshua, Jayme

OCCUPATION: Small Business

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 62 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:

Nenana 1950 - 1975
Fairbanks 1975 - present

EDUCATION:

Nenana Public School
1955 - 1968, High School Diploma

MILITARY SERVICE:

U.S. Air Force, 1969 - 1974, Ssgt, Honorable Discharge

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Republican Party volunteer and officer from 1988 to present; elected a Representative from 1998 to 2009; State Affairs chairman, Co-Chairman House Health & Social Services Committee, Co-Chair Joint Armed Services Committee, House Majority Leader, House Rules Committee Chairman, Council of State Government Executive Committee, American Legislative Exchange Council member, Energy Council Executive Committee Member Pacific North West Economic Region, appointed to Senate by Parnell in 2009; elected a Senator 2010 - present; Senate Judiciary Committee Member.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Family Small Business, Pastors assistant, private school teacher, construction worker, carpenter

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Shared Hope International

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family (especially grandchildren) carpentry and building, World History

STATEMENT:

I have enjoyed serving as Representative and Senator for the North Pole area and along the Richardson, Glenn, and Denali Highways, from North Pole to Valdez and from Glennallen to Palmer. Now with redistricting the Senate district has moved north, losing from Salcha south to Valdez and west to Sutton, and gaining Farmers Loop, Steese, Chena Hot Springs Road, Fox, Haystack, and Chatanika.

Conservative Principles like Limited government, Individual liberty, traditional Family values, America's godly heritage, Rule of law, our Constitutional Republic based upon our Declaration of Independence and the defense of our Statehood compact are beliefs I will hold dear.

I am pro-life. Choices are before conception, after this we are responsible to our Creator as parents.

Education starts with the family and is helped by government. We as a state must do better, but not at the expense of family.

Energy is important to us and we need to work on short, mid and long term solutions. First, get gas to us as quickly and inexpensively as possible. We need Hydro and other alternate sources of electricity. The state can help, but generally I am not in favor of state ownership of projects.

Our future in Alaska is challenging and we have the honor of making the decisions for this and future generations with your help and input. My aim is to improve our lot and leave Alaska a better place, economically and policy-wise. I would count it an honor to serve you again.

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